



**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**[4910-EX-P]**

**Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration**

**[Docket No. FMCSA-2016-0196]**

**Agency Information Collection Activities; Extension of a Currently-Approved  
Information Collection Request: Transportation of Hazardous Materials,  
Highway Routing**

**AGENCY:** Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FMCSA announces its plan to submit the Information Collection Request (ICR) described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The FMCSA requests approval to extend an existing ICR titled, “Transportation of Hazardous Materials, Highway Routing.” The information reported by States and Indian tribes is necessary to identify designated/restricted routes and restrictions or limitations affecting how motor carriers may transport certain hazardous materials on their highways, including dates that such routes were established and information on subsequent changes or new hazardous materials routing designations. FMCSA received no comments in response to the 60-day Federal Register Notice published on July 29, 2016.

**DATES:** Please send your comments by **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

OMB must receive your comments by this date in order to act on the ICR.

**ADDRESSES:** All comments should reference Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Docket Number FMCSA-2016-0196. Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to the attention of the Desk Officer, Department of Transportation/Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and sent via electronic mail to [oir\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submission@omb.eop.gov), or faxed to (202) 395-6974, or mailed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Vincent Babich, Office of Enforcement and Compliance, Hazardous Materials Division, Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001. Telephone: 202-366-4871; E-mail Address: [vincent.babich@dot.gov](mailto:vincent.babich@dot.gov). Office hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Title:** Transportation of Hazardous Materials, Highway Routing.

**OMB Control Number:** 2126-0014.

**Type of Request:** Extension of a currently approved information collection.

**Respondents:** The reporting burden is shared by 50 States, the District of Columbia, Indian tribes with designated routes, and U.S. Territories including; Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 57 [36 States and the District of Columbia, with designated hazardous materials highway routes + 20 States/U.S. Territories without designated hazardous materials highway routes + 1 Indian tribe with a designated route = 57].

**Estimated Time per Response:** 15 minutes.

**Expiration Date:** April 30, 2017.

**Frequency of Response:** Once every two years.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden:** 7 hours [57 annual respondents  $\times$  1 response per 2 years  $\times$  15 minutes per response/60 minutes per response = 7.125 hours rounded to 7 hours].

**BACKGROUND:** The data for the Transportation of Hazardous Materials; Highway Routing ICR is collected under authority of 49 U.S.C. 5112 and 5125. Specifically, 49 U.S.C. 5112(c) requires that the Secretary, in coordination with the States, “shall update and publish periodically a list of currently effective hazardous material highway route designations.”

In 49 CFR 397.73, the FMCSA requires that each State and Indian tribe, through its routing agency, provide information identifying new, or changes to existing, hazardous materials routing designations within its jurisdiction within 60 days after their establishment (or 60 days of the change). That information is collected and consolidated by FMCSA and published annually, in whole or as updates, in the Federal Register.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS INVITED:** You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) whether the proposed collection is necessary for the FMCSA to perform its functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways for the FMCSA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information.

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